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**RE: 1BR-ROB0813 Water License Amendment and Renewal Application –
Roberts Bay Long Term Monitoring Program**

Dear Ms. Beaulieu:

Please find enclosed a Water Licence Amendment and Renewal Application from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) for the Roberts Bay Long Term Monitoring Program.

The existing license was issued to conduct remediation works at Roberts Bay and Ida Bay, former abandoned mine sites located approximately 115 km southwest of Cambridge Bay, on the north coast of mainland Nunavut. Exploration for silver and gold at Roberts Bay and Ida Bay were carried out between 1965 and 1972. The Roberts Bay site was an active silver mine in the early 1970s and was the subject of exploration in the 1980s and 1990s.

Remediation of these mine sites commenced in 2008 and was completed in 2010. A non-hazardous waste landfill (NHWL) was constructed over the former tailings pond at Roberts Bay and non-hazardous waste from both Roberts Bay and Ida Bay were deposited into the NHWL.

In fulfillment of departmental commitments to monitor the landfill post-closure, AANDC initiated a 25-year long term monitoring program at the Roberts Bay site in 2010. Long term monitoring occurred at the site in 2010 and 2012 and a third monitoring event is scheduled to take place in August 2014.



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The purpose of this application is to renew and amend the existing water license so long term monitoring can be continued at the site.

In addition to this electronic submission, a complete amendment application, including a translated executive summary in Inuktitut and Inuinnaqtun, will be compiled on a CD and mailed to your attention as soon as translation is complete. This package will include the following Appendices:

Appendix	Title
1	Amendment Application form
2	Executive Summary – English, Inuinnaqtun and Inuktitut
3	NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB#: 07CN007)
4	Roberts Bay Long Term Monitoring Plan
5	2010 Roberts Bay Long Term Monitoring Report
6	2012 Roberts Bay Long Term Monitoring Report

If you have any questions or require additional information related to this application, please contact Allison Dunn at (867) 975-4732 or via e-mail at Allison.Dunn@aandc.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

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cc: Allison Dunn, Contaminants Specialist, AANDC

Encl: Water Licence Amendment Application Package – Roberts Bay Long Term Monitoring Program